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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT (37 C.F.R. 1.121)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is with reference to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated March 1, 2002, in the above-referenced application. Please find enclosed herewith as Exhibit A, a clean version of the amended claim(s) along with a marked-up version of the amended claim(s).

Please note that the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment erroneously referred to the amendment as being filed on 2-14-02. The amendment was filed on 1-7-02. If you have any questions in this matter, please call the undersigned at (213) 680-6678.

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Respectfully submitted,

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1. (Amended) An isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising a sequence that has at least about 80% sequence identity to the sequence of nucleotides ranging from nucleotide 1 to nucleotide 2100 of SEQ ID NO:1.

1. (Amended) An isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising a sequence substantially equivalent to that has at least about 80% sequence identity to the sequence of nucleotides ranging from nucleotide 1 to nucleotide 2100 of SEQ ID NO:1 ~~or a fragment thereof having at least about 40 molecules.~~